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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	Board of Occupational Therapy Practice
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	July 26, 2006 at 4:30 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room B , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	September 6, 2006

MEMBERS PRESENT

December Hughes, Professional Member, Vice-President
Debra Young, Professional Member, Secretary
Michele Maahs, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Abby Adams, Deputy Attorney General
Gayle Melvin, Administrative Specialist III

MEMBER ABSENT

Mike von Reider, Public Member, President
Virginia Mirro, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT

Linda Quattro
Lisa Moller

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Hughes called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the June 28, 2006, meeting. Ms. Maahs made a motion, seconded by Ms. Young to approve the minutes. The motion was unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Update on Department of Health and Social Services Statute: 16 Delaware Code, §122(3)o, 4406 Home Health Agencies Licensure

The legislation for Department of Health and Social Services Statute; 16 Delaware Code, §122(3)o, 4406 Home Health Agencies Licensure was discussed. Ms. Hughes stated that she was still in the process of drafting a letter to be submitted to the Department of Health and Social Services stating that the Board objects to requirements for Certified Nursing Assistants under sections 4.8.4 (1-5). Ms. Adams stated that she would review the letter and give Ms. Hughes advice on any legal terminology that would be included in the letter.

Review of Continuing Education Audit

No additional information had been received from the licensees whose continuing education audits were previously tabled.

Review of Occupational Therapist/Occupational Therapy Assistant Application

Terrie A. Roney – A proposal-to-deny letter will be sent to Ms. Roney.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Occupational Therapist/Occupational Therapy Assistant Applications

Ms. Maahs made a motion, seconded by Ms. Young to approve applications for the following persons:

Katherine E. Miller - Occupational Therapist
Shari Nudelman - Occupational Therapist

The motion was unanimously carried.

Ms. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Ms. Young to approve applications for the following persons pending receipt of the following information:

Tara J. Babe – Occupational Therapist (pending receipt of NBCOT verification and letter of good standing from Pennsylvania)
Marita Flynn – Occupational Therapist (pending receipt of receipt of NBCOT verification and letter of good standing from Pennsylvania)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Ms. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Ms. Young to approve the application for the following person pending receipt of the following information:

Vicki Baen – Occupational Therapy Assistant (pending receipt of NBCOT verification)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education Activities

Ms. Maahs made a motion, seconded by Ms. Young to approve the following continuing education courses:

Kerri Carpenter

Professional Development Programs – 13 hours

Accelerated Care Plus Corp

Rheumatoid Arthritis of the Wrist and Hand – 1 hour

Electrode Application and Safety – 1 hour

Stroke Hand Edema – 1 hour

Stroke Recovery – 1 hour

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease – 1 hour

Institute for Natural Resources

Domestic Violence: The Hidden Epidemic – 3 hours

Alcohol and Health: Under the Influence – 3 hours

Addiction: Alternatives to Abstinence – 3 hours

Knee Pain: A Clinical Update – 3 hours

Low Back Pain: A Clinical Update – 3 hours

Lung-Savers: Ending Tobacco Use – 3 hours

Fast Food Traps – 3 hours

Kent County Community School

NDT Based Therapeutic Aquatics for Pediatrics – 6.5 hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

Ms. Young made a motion, seconded by Ms. Maahs to table the following continuing education request:

Lisa Moller

Aquatic Therapy Symposium (pending receipt of schedule with timed agenda)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education for Audit Licensees

The Board reviewed and approved the continuing education audits for the following licensees:

Linda Quattro

Ann Neal

Michele Hinson

Ms. Young made a motion, seconded by Ms. Maahs to approve the continuing education audit for Michele Porter pending receipt of documentation of course attendance. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Requests for Inactive License

The Board reviewed requests from the following licensees to put their license on inactive status:

Evylina Chioma
Kathleen McConnell
Ashley Hendrickson

Ms. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Ms. Maahs to approve these requests. The motion was unanimously carried.

Other Business Before the Board (for discussion only)

Ms. Melvin advised the Board of the number of licensees who have not yet renewed and the number of audits that have not yet been received. Due to the large number of audits that have not yet been received, the Board decided to schedule another meeting for August 2, 2006 in case audits are received during the last few days of the renewal period.

Public Comment

Ms. Quattro stated that the online renewal was easy to complete. Ms. Moller agreed. Ms. Moller stated that the postcard that is being sent to licensees advising them of the renewal could easily get thrown away and maybe a letter should be sent instead of a postcard.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next meeting will be held on August 2, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Ms. Maahs made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle L. Melvin
Administrative Specialist III